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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 17-Jun-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 06/17/06	PREVIOUS WEEK 06/10/06
Broiler/fryer	165,055	168,873
Light hens	1,083	1,138
Heavy hens	1,731	1,507

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	WEEK ENDING 10-Jun-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	23	0	23
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	156	3	159
Same week yr ago	193	0	193
To-date/2006	4,813	19	4,832
To-date/2005	6,572	26	6,598

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,091	1,492	2,583
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	913	1,466	2,379
Same week yr ago	1,798	1,510	3,308
To-date/2006	31,556	33,565	65,121
To-date/2005	42,209	31,513	73,722

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 10-Jun-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	166,314	1,068	1,492	2,560
Avg Wt	5.38	3.34	8.04	6.08
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	142,908	757	1,463	2,220
Same wk yr ago	167,150	1,605	1,510	3,115
Avg Wt	5.35	3.29	8.14	5.64
To-date/2006	3,702,814	26,743	33,546	60,289
To-date/2005	3,639,161	35,637	31,487	67,124

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 165.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 168.3 million head, or 2.9 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 03-Jun-06

	(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE 4.20 LBS & DOWN	(B) RETAIL 4.21-5.25 LBS	(C) DEBONING 5.26 LBS & UP
	-----THOUSANDS-----		
Head	25,173	16,562	48,624
Avg Weight	3.87	4.77	6.43
% of total /1	28%	18%	54%
Last week	23,816	22,856	48,447
Avg Weight	3.68	4.76	6.50
% of total /1	25%	24%	51%
Same week, yr ago /2	24,318	20,054	48,099
Avg Weight	3.63	4.76	6.40
% of total /1	26%	22%	52%
To date/2006	592,516	420,578	1,185,487
To date/2005	607,930	476,307	1,080,926

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 10-Jun-06
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	2,042	2,843	18	7	4,910
Avg Wt	16.34	36.91	27.42	24.79	28.30
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	1,881	2,322	1	0	4,204
Same wk yr ago	1,871	2,649	18	2	4,540
Avg Wt	16.53	37.98	27.76	64.30	29.11
To-date/2006	43,338	57,276	473	119	101,206
To-date/2005	37,708	58,307	505	65	96,585

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
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